

NEWS ADVISORY

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NOV. 25 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS---AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS 9:30 A.M.

Presentation:

Wayne Schumacker, a division chief at the Department of Beaches and Harbors, is commended for saving a motorist from a burning vehicle.

Public Hearings:

Supervisors consider approving annual street lighting assessment of \$5 for single-family homes in unincorporated Azusa area. (Item 2, continued from 10-28)

Board considers eminent domain action for property at 122 N. Topanga Canyon Blvd. in Topanga for construction of library. (Item 3)

Agenda Items:

Financial status report to be given by Health Services Department. (Item S-1, 11:30 a.m. continued from 11-18)

Supervisors asked to approve relocation of mental health family center from Roybal Health Center in Los Angeles to East Los Angeles Family Resource Center. (Items 2-D and 21)

Support requested for commemorative U.S. postage stamp honoring the late Motown singer Marvin Gaye, known for such hits as "I Heard It Through the Grapevine" and "What's Going On." (Item 9)

Board asked to oppose any efforts to move the Los Angeles Air Force Base in El Segundo out of California or place it on the federal base closure list. (Item 11)

Supervisors Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, Don Knabe and Michael Antonovich -- following KNBC-TV series -- seek plan to improve apartment environmental health inspection program, including providing greater public access to grading reports. (Items 12 and 17)

Consideration given to allowing property owners to pay their taxes at local assessor offices during the tax season instead of requiring to come to Los Angeles. (Item 13)

Study asked to determine feasibility of implementing voluntary registration system for disabled residents in order to assist them in emergencies, such as evacuations. (Item 15)

Supervisor Gloria Molina, saying some members of the public have abused the right to hold Board agenda items for discussion, recommends disruptive persons be limited to one item. (Item 19)

Department of Health Services seeks approval of \$1.5 million program for early diagnosis and treatment of HIV/AIDS in the African-American and Latino communities. (Item 24)

Probation Department requests approval of \$300,000 on-the-job training program for youth ages 17 and 18. (Item 27, continued from 11-18)

Supervisors asked to set public hearing for Dec. 2 to consider requests by cities served by the County Library to be included in special tax program to maintain or improve service. (Item 28)

Report given on corrective action plan by Sierra Systems, Inc., which failed to deliver an integrated transactions and codes system for the Department of Mental Health by the compliance deadline of Oct. 16. (Item 31)

Settlement:

\$375,000 recommended for settlement of case in which 110-pound woman, who suffered two broken front teeth, alleges false arrest and excessive force by sheriff's deputies in June 2001 incident in Compton. (Item 29, continued from 11-18)

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